

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

V.

TAREK MEHANNA

) Cr. No. 08-
09 CR 10017 GAO
) Violations:
)
) 18 U.S.C. §1001(a)(2)
) False Statement
)

INDICTMENT

The Grand Jury charges that:

COUNT ONE

18 U.S.C. §1001(a)(2)
False Statements

On or about December 16, 2006, in the District
Massachusetts, the defendant,

TAREK MEHANNA,

in a matter within the jurisdiction of the executive branch of
the Government of the United States, did knowingly and willfully
make materially false, fictitious and fraudulent statements when
he provided information, that he knew was untrue, in connection
with an investigation involving international and domestic
terrorism, as defined in Title 18, United States Code Sections
2331(1) and 2331(5), to a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of
Investigation ("FBI") and a Special Federal Officer, who were
both members of the Joint Terrorism Task Force of the FBI
("JTTF"). The false, fictitious and fraudulent information was
in response to questions about the (then) current whereabouts and
activities of one Daniel Maldonado. The false and fictitious
information included the following:

The defendant TAREK MEHANNA stated that he last heard from Daniel Maldonado via telephone approximately two weeks prior to the December 16, 2006 interview.

The defendant TAREK MEHANNA stated that Daniel Maldonado was then living in a suburb of Alexandria, Egypt.

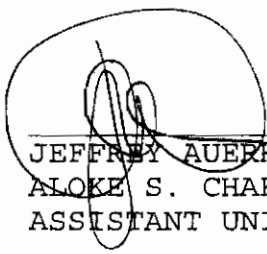
The defendant TAREK MEHANNA stated that Daniel Maldonado was then employed maintaining a website.

As the defendant TAREK MEHANNA then and there well knew, these statements were false, fictitious and fraudulent in that just a few days before the interview, the defendant TAREK MEHANNA had received a telephone call from Daniel Maldonado from Somalia. When the defendant TAREK MEHANNA spoke to the members of the JTTF, he knew Daniel Maldonado had left Egypt and moved to Somalia, and knew and had been told by Daniel Maldonado that he (Daniel Maldonado) was in Somalia, was receiving military training, and was involved in fighting and jihad.

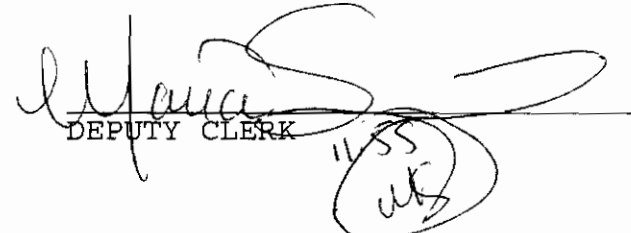
All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1001(a)(2).

A TRUE BILL

Jane V. Giannucci
FOREPERSON OF THE GRAND JURY


JEFFREY AUERHAHN
ALOK S. CHAKRAVARTY
ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEYS

Returned into the District Court by the Grand Jurors and filed.


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DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS
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